

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

BERNARD LOUIS DIT PICARD

U.S. Serial No. 10/018,050

Filed: January 18, 2002



Group Art Unit 1771

Examiner: J. Boyd

HYDROPHILIC COTTON PRODUCT COMPRISING A SOFT SURFACE AND A SCRAPING SURFACE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment / a response in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

An additional fee is required as calculated below -

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Other Than A Small Entity Add'l Rate Fee
Total	_____	Minus * _____	_____	x \$ 9 \$ _____	x \$18 \$ _____
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\* The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number of claims filed originally or highest number found from equivalent box of a prior amendment.

This response is being filed within the period for response.

Applicant(s) hereby petition for an extension from the date of the Examiner's Action as follows:

<input type="checkbox"/>	First-Month Extension.....	\$ 55.00 / \$ 110.00
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Small entity status of this application has been established.

A Check in the amount of \$ 420.00 is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3690 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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R E S P O N S E

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the official action mailed April 23, 2004. Applicant has considered the April 23, 2004 official action. Claims 13-26 are pending in this application. Claim 13-26 are rejected. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are directed to patentable subject matter as set forth below and are now in condition for allowance.